

## BUTLER WEEKLY TIMES

**NOTICE TO TEACHERS:**—Public Examinations for the benefit of those persons desiring to teach in Bates county, will be held on the 3d Saturday of each month in the Ohio street school house, Butler, Mo., and on the 1st Saturday of each month in the West side school house, Rich Hill, Mo., the examination commencing each day at 9 o'clock, A. M.

J. H. HINTON,  
County School Commissioner.

### LOCAL ITEMS

J. K. Brugler wants a lot of good farm loans, running from 6 to 18 months. This is a good chance for farmers to get short loans, or sell short real estate paper.

The apples being shipped from this place are very fine.

Hickory nuts and walnuts are selling at sixty cents per bushel.

Uncle Jas. McGhee is disposing of his stock of groceries to quit business.

Our merchants are shipping in cabbage and selling the same at four cents per pound.

Sam Beall, Mon Shannon, Charley Rosser and Joe Brashear drove up from the Hill Sunday afternoon.

The protracted meeting which has been in progress at the C. P. church for the past week closed Sunday night.

Mrs. Fulkerson and daughter, Flora, of St. Joseph, mother and sister of Mrs. R. S. Catron, were in the city visiting the latter the last of the week.

The protracted meeting at the Ohio street M. E. church still continues with increasing interest. Preaching each evening this week and the public cordially invited to attend.

Mr. L. Florence and daughter Annie, who have been over at Yates Center, Kansas, visiting relatives for the past six weeks, returned home Friday. They report a most excellent time.

The lady teachers of the west public school took advantage of the beautiful day Saturday, and securing vehicles went to the bottoms in search of nuts. They had a splendid time and good success.

W. H. Adams, of Elkhart township, one of the oldest and best printers in this state, was in town Monday and of course gave the Times a pleasant call, and presented the foreman with a lot of elegant apples for his better half.

C. C. Beavers, the popular and talented editor of the Montrose Monitor, accompanied by Ed. Taylor, the champion liveryman of that burg, took a bird's eye view of the electric city Saturday, and of course called at headquarters, the Times office.

Elder J. K. Reid and wife, of Little Rock, Arkansas, are spending a few days in visiting old friends. Elder Reid preached to his old congregation at the Christian church Sunday. We understand he has given up his charge at Little Rock, and is seeking a new field.

J. W. Keith has disposed of his restaurant to C. B. Lewis, and will join his family at Newton, Kansas, in a day or so. Mr. Keith has been a resident of this city for several years, and has made many friends who will be sorry to see him leave. The change was made on account of ill health.

Dr. Renick, of Butler, paid the Democrat a pleasant call this afternoon. Dr. Renick is related to W. S. Renick, of this county, and was for a number of years with Majors Russell and Waddell, of Leavenworth, Kansas. He is also an old-time friend of Sam R. Crockett, of the Neosho Times.—Nevada Democrat.

We learn from the Schell City News of the marriage of Will Crow to Miss Bettie Miller. Mr. Crow is an old Butler boy, cousin to N. B. Jeter. He learned the jewelry trade under the latter named gentleman, and is now proprietor of a jewelry store in Schell City. The Times extends congratulations and best wishes.

The many friends in this city and county of Dr. A. C. Franklin, and none more than the Times, will be glad to learn of his success in securing the appointment of United States Gauger for the Eighth district of Kentucky. The doctor is the father of our fellow townsman, S. C. Franklin.

A young man by the name of Geo. Livesay, was placed in jail Sunday, on a warrant charging him with stealing a horse from R. W. Pitcher, a farmer of Grand River township, for whom he had been working as a hired hand. Livesay was captured with the horse at Lone Jack, making his way out of the country.

P. M. Leonard, a farmer living near Clinton, in Henry county, committed suicide early Friday morning, by hanging himself in his brother's barn. Mental aberration was the cause. His family had been keeping close watch over him for some time but he eluded their vigilance and launched his soul from time into eternity.

What a glorious month is October! Hickory nuts, hazel nuts, black haws, grapes and persimmons are getting ripe, and a day in the woods, provided you take a good lunch, is simply delightful. Old Ned is not bad to take any at any time, but seated upon a log in the woods with a good appetite to appease, and your darling Dinah to tease—Oh, Lordy! Pass the ham, please.—Nevada Democrat.

Mrs. Wm. Page accompanied by her sister Miss Mattie Slater, left Tuesday for Denver, Colorado, at which city they will spend the winter. During their absence Mr. Page's mother will keep house for him. On account of their departure a number of friends called at their handsome residence on Ohio street Saturday evening to bid them adieu and wish them a safe and pleasant trip.

Mrs. H. Hutchinson and daughter Pinkie went up to Pleasant Hill last week, where Mr. H. has obtained work on the Review. Hutch is a splendid printer, having devoted his life to mastering the intricacies of the Art Preservative, and the Review is very fortunate in securing his services. Mrs. Hutchinson is one of the best women in the world, and the people of Butler will miss her in her church and charity works.

Woodson Hollingsworth, of Schell City, was brought to the city this morning and lodged in jail, charged with an assault upon his daughter Alice, some 14 or 15 years old. Hollingsworth is apparently 35 years of age, and a blacksmith by trade. The girl tells a horrible story of the lecherous conduct of Hollingsworth, and if what she says is true, he is a fit subject for the gallows. There is no room in this country for such detestable wretches as the man charged with this heinous crime.—Vernon Co. Democrat.

Little Howard Swango, nephew of W. F. and Mrs. Hanks, took the diphtheria Saturday and after lingering but twelve hours died Sunday morning. Two doctors were summoned and did everything in their power to save the little fellow, but their efforts and skill proved of no avail. Sheriff Hanks brought the little fellow home with him from Kentucky last Sunday with the intention of adopting him, and giving him a home and education, as he had no parents to look after him. His death was very sudden and unexpected.

There is no longer any doubt that the Emporia railroad will be built from the Mo. Pacific track a couple of miles south of this city to Walnut. A frog has already been put in and Friday last a number of car loads of ties and iron including a pile driver passed this depot for the new road, and we understand track laying will begin right away. This looks like business, and as the company are making no fuss about it and still pushing the work right along makes all things look more encouraging for the early completion of this road to Walnut and Emporia.

W. M. Mills, druggist at Walnut, was in the city yesterday and did not forget to pay his respects to the booming Times.

At the close of the Baptist conference held in Carthage last week, nearly \$1,000 was raised for missionary purposes. The next annual meeting will be held at Moberly, Mo., and Rev. J. P. Green, of St. Louis, will deliver the introductory address.

N. B. Jeter, the west side jeweler, Saturday last out of the goodness of his heart and liberality of spirit made Rev. W. C. Bewley, of the M. E. church, south, a very useful ornamental and handsome present in the shape of a tower eight day clock. Such a magnificent gift was highly appreciated by the preacher.

Tom Pettys and Del Welton, who have just returned from an extended trip through western Kansas, bring back some wonderful tales of their trip, and the life, habits and customs of the cow boy. If all they tell is reliable, we prefer to risk our scalp in the James and Younger country. They say Dodge City can double discount Leadville in her balmy days. It is the home of the cow boy and the roughest element of society. They located claims in Mead county, Mead Center being the county seat. They represent it as a beautiful country and settling up fast.

Rev. W. C. Bewley and wife were treated to a substantial and genuine surprise by the members of his church and friends Friday night last. Just after dark, and while the pastor and his wife were sitting comfortably by the fire in the parsonage enjoying each others company, and not anticipating any intrusion whatever upon their privacy, to their great surprise, open flew the front door and in poured members of his church and friends, each bearing his token and donation. Some had a sack of flour, others a ham of meat, others coffee, tea, sugar, apples, brooms, bed spreads, potatoes, cabbage, in fact they were laden with everything imaginable in the house-keeping and eating line. Of course, the affair had been kept very quiet and the reverend gentleman and wife were taken completely by surprise, but it was a happy one, and one that will long be remembered by the recipients.

Kansas City has been in a fever of excitement ever since last Wednesday over the murder of Mrs. Conway and her ten year old daughter. The murder is considered one of the most mysterious and brutal ones that has ever taken place in our state. The act was committed in her own house with a car coupling pin in broad daylight on one of the most principal thoroughfares in the city. Detectives and police have been hard at work on the case ever since it happened, but so far no progress toward terreting out the perpetrator of so foul a crime. The object of murder is likewise a mystery, as nothing in the house was disturbed. It is wonderful how so foul a crime could be committed in a busy place like Kansas City, in daylight, and the murderer escape without leaving some clue by which he could be traced.

Too much praise cannot be said of the good people of Summit township for the energy and pluck they have displayed in raising money to complete the Deepwater Union church building in that section. For four years this building has stood without lath or plaster, and the young people without regard to religious proclivities, becoming tired of seeing this house built for the worship of God standing in such a dilapidated condition, took it into their heads a week or two ago to raise money and complete the same. The idea was at first hooted at, but the young people engaged in the enterprise were not to be discouraged by a few drones in the hive, and went right along holding festivals and working like hod carriers in the good cause, and to-day the Deepwater Union church stands completed, its interior bearing the testimonials of the work of saint and sinner. Again we say, all praise to the donors and workers in the good cause.

### A QUEER THEFT.

Ben B. Canterbury's Abstract Books Stolen Saturday Night.

The mysterious spiriting away of the large abstract books belonging to Ben B. Canterbury from his office Saturday night caused quite a sensation on our streets and was the topic of conversation all day Sunday and Monday by our people, and all sorts of rumors and conjectures could be heard, but no one seem to know or could give any clue as to where the books had gone or who had taken them, or offer any feasible excuse for the theft, as the books were entirely useless outside of this county, and of course could not be used at home without being detected.

The discovery of the theft was first made known by Mr. Canterbury who entered his office Sunday morning and to his utter surprise found his books gone. He came down on the streets and made the facts known and in a short time had a number of our shrewdest detectives at work endeavoring to throw some light on the mystery.

Of course upon such occasions almost everybody has his suspicions as to how the thing was done and who done it, whether he makes them known or not, and among this number was Mr. Canterbury who made his suspicions known by swearing out a warrant for the arrest of W. L. Powell, a young man officing with him and in the employ of Jarvis, Conklin & Co., accusing him of the theft. The books were taken some time during Saturday night and Mr. Powell left Sunday morning on a visit to his home in Kansas City, intending to return Monday or Tuesday. Mr. Canterbury, not wishing to delay matters, and believing as he alleged that Powell was the guilty party, armed himself with the warrant and proceeded to Kansas City to make the arrest. He was not long in finding his man and accordingly proceeded to serve his warrant. Mr. Powell was completely nonplussed at the proceedings as he was taken unawares, and was somewhat indignant at Mr. Canterbury for suspecting him of having anything to do with the stealing of his books or any knowledge of their whereabouts. But then it was useless to kick, as a states warrant is no respecter of persons, and he quietly submitted to the mandates of the law and went before an officer and gave bond with S. M. Jarvis as security, and Tuesday morning returned to Butler in company with his bondsman. As soon as the bus stopped at the Palace hotel a reporter for the Times accosted Mr. Powell to hear what he had to say, and he informed us that he was innocent of the charge and would come out all right.

Mr. Powell has conducted himself as a perfect gentleman during his stay among us and Mr. Jarvis informs us that his firm has the utmost confidence in his honesty.

Monday about dark the books were found buried about two and a half feet deep in the ground in the rear of their office. The clue that lead to the finding was furnished by John Brown, a negro boy working at the Palace hotel. While under arrest as accessory Monday, he stated that he had carried a shovel to the office at the solicitation of Powell, and this remark of the negro lead to a search which resulted as above noted. From what we could learn the negro took entirely too much interest in the books for his own good.

There is a dark mystery at the bottom of the whole matter which we hope will be unraveled and the guilty parties, who ever they may be, brought to justice.

C. Zombro, formerly of this place, but now of Los Angeles, Cal., is in the city visiting friends. He is agent for and traveling in the interest of A. Phillips' & Co., Boston and California Excursionists. In this connection Mr. Zombro wishes us to say to those contemplating a trip to the Pacific coast, that it will pay all such to communicate with him as they offer extra inducements in excursion rates.

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#### Mules Wanted.

I will be in Butler, Saturdays the 3rd, 10th and 17th of October to buy mule colts, for which I will pay the highest price in cash.

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BEN POWELL.

#### Farm for Sale.

I will sell my farm, situated in section 1, in summit township, 15 hundred acres. Divided in lots to suit purchaser. Terms easy.

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